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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

1. ☒ Specification Total Pages 64
2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 11
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 3
  - a. ☒ Unexecuted(original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed) [Note Box 4 Below]
  - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting  
Inventor(s) named in the prior appln.  
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which  
a Copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box  
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accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by  
reference therein.

5. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
6. ☒ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document to follow (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application,  
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
12. ☐ Certified copy(ies) of Japanese priority document(s)  
No(s). P2003-046774 filed February 25, 2003.

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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## CLAIMS AS FILED

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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled  
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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application,  
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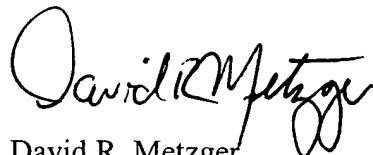
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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the  
provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

Very truly yours,

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